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SUBJECT: WTDR/FTI ARQUITECTOS INGENIEROS S.A.

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- 5. ARQUITECTOS INGENIEROS S.A.
- 6. APARTADO POSTAL 1327
- 7. MANAGUA
- 8. CONTACT: MR ROBERTO ARGUELLO TEFEL
- 9. TITLE: PRESIDENT
- 10. PHONE: 4706 1. TELEX: 1082
- 12. CABLE: AISA
- 13. ESTABLISHED: 1958 14. EMPLOYEES: NA
- 15. SIZE: VERY LARGE 16. REPUTATION: Y-EXCELLENT
- 17. REPORTING DATE: 09/77
- OFFICE USE: 18. NA 19. X 20. X 21. NA 22. NA
- 23A. 15200/9 GENERAL BUILDING CONTRACTORS-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS.
- 23B. 16100/9 GENERAL CONTRACTOR-HIGHWAY AND STREET CONSTRUCTION.
- 23C. 15400/9 GENERAL CONTRACTOR-INDUSTRIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL
- BUILDING CONSTRUCTION.
- 23D. 16200/9 GENERAL CONTRACTOR-HEAVY CONSTRUCTION.
- 23E. 35310/5 IMPORTER OF CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY.

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23F. 34294/5 IMPORTER OF BUILDERS' HARDWARE.

 $23G.\ 33124/5\ \textsc{importer}$ of steel bars and shapes, plates, etc.

23H. 36330/5 IMPORTER OF WELDING EQUIPMENT.

 $24.\ FOREIGN\ SALES:\ LOCAL\ ONLY.$

25. FINANCIAL REFERENCES: MANUFACTURERS HANOVER TRUST CO., NEW

ORK, NEW YORK; BANCO DE CENTRO AMERICA, APARTADO POSTAL 4659,

BANCO NICARAGUENSE, APARTADO POSTAL 549 AND BANK OF AMERICAN NT &

S.A., APARTADO POSTAL 2409, IN MANAGUA.

26. TRADE REFERENCES: NA

27. FOREIGN FIRMS REPRESENTED: NONE.

28. POST EVALUATION: ARQUITECTOS INGENIEROS S.A. (AISA) IS ONE OF THE TWO LARGEST AND BEST KNOWN ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION COM-PANIES OPERATING IN NICARAGUA. AISA ACTS AS GENERAL CONTRACTOR FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF RESIDENTIAL HOMES AND BUILDINGS, HOUSING PROJECTS, COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS AND WAREHOUSES, STREETS AND HIGHWAYS, PORT EXPANSION WORKS, AND OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE AND CIVIL WORKS. SOME OF ITS LARGEST PROJECTS HAVE BEEN THE CON-STRUCTION OF A US\$2.4 MILLION 210-ROOM INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL. THE EXPANSION OF THE PORT OF CORINTO FACILITIES AT A COST OF MORE THAN US\$800,000, THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN EARTH-SATELLITE STATION, THE CONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS HOSPITALS, AND THE UNDERTAKING OF SEVERAL HOUSING PROJECTS (MORE THAN 4,000 HOMES IN TOTAL) WHICH THE FIRM HAS CONSTRUCTED WITH PRIVATE LOANS OBTAINED THROUGH ITS OWN INI-TIATIVE. A FEW WEEKS AGO THE FIRM WAS AWARDED THE CONSTRUCTION OF A US\$3.3 MILLION 250-BED CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL IN THE CITY OF MANAGUA. ARQUITECTOS INGENIEROS S.A. IS ONE OF VARIOUS CORPORATIONS CONTROLLED BY THE HOLDING COMPANY CORPORACION FINANCIERA INDUS-TRIAL S.A. (CFI). SISTER-COMPANIES INCLUDE THE ARCHITECT AND ENGIN-ERING FIRM OSORIO Y TERAN; A ROCK-QUARRYING AND CRUSHING FIRM PEDRERA NICARAGUENSE S.A.; A CONCRETE PRODUCTS MANUFACTURING FIRM, PRODUCTOS DE CONCRETO S.A.; A WOOD-PROCESSING COMPANY, PROCESADORA DE MADERA S.A.; A CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY RENTAL FIRM, EQUIPO, HIERRO Y CONCRETO LISTO S.A.; A SAVINGS AND LOAN COMPANY CENTROAM-UNCLASSIFIED

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ERICANA DE AHORRO Y PRESTAMO S.A. (CAPSA); AND A NUMBER OF HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FIRMS INCLUDING VIVIENDAS S.A., SURBANA S.A. AND TERRENOS Y EDIFICIOS S.A. SOME YEARS AGO AISA FORMED THE CORPORATION AISA-DG INTERNATIONAL S.A. IN PANAMA FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A 500 HOME HOUSING PROJECT IN THAT COUNTRY. THE PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDERS OF THE PARENT FIRM CFI, INCLUDING MESSRS. ROBERTO ARGUELLO TEFEL, RENE LACAYO DEBAYLE, ALFREDO OSORIO AND JOSE F. TERAN, ARE WELL AND FAVORABLY REGARDED IN LOCAL CIRCLES. MR. LACAYO DEBAYLE IS COUSIN OF GEN. ANASTASIO SOMOZA DEBAYLE, PRESIDENT OF NICARAGUA AND CHIEF OF THE ARMED FORCES. MR. OSORIO IS BROTHER OF ARQ. IVAN OSORIO P., NICARAGUA'S VICE MINISTER OF URBAN PLANNING IN CHARGE OF IMPLEMENTING THE RECONSTRUCTION WORKS IN THE EARTHQUAKE-DESTROYED CITY OF MANAGUA. AISA ENJOYS A GOOD REPUTATION IN LOCAL BANKING AND TRADE CIRCLES. IT IS RECOMMENDED AS TRADE CONTACT FOR INTERESTED U.S. CONCERNS.

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